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PROGRESS IN HIGHER AND COMPULSORY EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the progress actually made by the Government during the Tenth Five Year Plan with reference to Management and perspective financing and its relevance to the higher and compulsory education by making an assessment towards its professional accredition and out reach activities of various communities;

(b) the number of men and women belonging to SC/ST communities benefited as a result of the progress made in this regard; and

(c) the budget allocated, item-wise, for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has introduced/implemented the following schemes for the under-privileged sections of the society:-

(i) Remedial Coaching at under graduate and post-graduate level for SC/ST students

(ii) Coaching scheme for Entry in Services for Students belonging to SC/ST

(iii) Establishment of Special Cells for SC/ST in Universities

(iv) Coaching for SC/ST candidates to prepare for National Eligibility Test (NET)

(v) Establishment of Centres in Universities for study of social Exclusion and Inclusive policy.

According to the UGC the grants released to various institutions under the above schemes during the period from 2004-05 to 2006-07 is Rs. 4709.54 lakhs. As per the data contained in the `Selected Educational Statistics `, the enrolment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes students in Higher Education was as follows:

Section	Gender	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Scheduled Castes	Boys	752838	807607	791806
	Girls	324158	385423	469190
	Total	1076996	1193030	1260996
Scheduled Tribes	Boys	234349	269034	276731
	Girls	106981	139932	157484
	Total	341330	408966	434215